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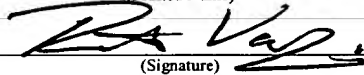
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The election requirement mailed on 31 March 2004 identified the embodiments of Figures 1a, 2a-2b and 10a-10b as patentably distinct species and required election of one species and indication of the claims encompassing that species.

Applicants elect the embodiment of Figures 2a-2b for examination.

The following claims read on this species:

- Independent claim 3 and dependent claims 4 and 5
- Independent claim 6 and dependent claims 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12
- Independent claim 13 and dependent claims 15 and 17
- Independent claim 20 and dependent claim 21

The claims are generic to the embodiments described in the application as follows:

- Claim 3 is generic to the embodiments of Figures 2a-2b and 3a-3b.
- Claim 6 is generic to all embodiments in the application.

- Claim 13 is generic to the embodiments of Figure 2a-2b, Figures 3a-3b, Figures 7-8, and Figures 11a-11c.
- Claim 20 is generic to the embodiments of Figures 2a-2b, Figures 3a-3b, Figures 7-8, Figures 10a-10b and Figures 11a-11c.

Examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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